



Title III Professional Development – Opens September 1 - due on October 1.

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This Grant is for Title III subgrantees only. The Title III Professional Development grant opens September 1. This grant is due on October 1 and the audit window closes on October 15. Districts or Educational Service Unit consortia that receive funds under Title III Limited English Proficient grants should complete this information. It is designed to collect information on the types of professional development provided under Title III for the previous school year.



Statistics and Facts About Nebraska Schools

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The Statistics and Facts about Nebraska Schools for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years have been posted on the Data Reporting System at <http://drs.education.ne.gov>. These documents, available in both Adobe Acrobat and Excel versions, can be located in the Quick Facts section under the District and School Information.



NeSA-RMSW 2014-2015 Key Dates

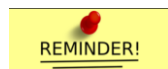
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Key dates for NeSA-RMSW are presented in the following table.

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| Provide Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-W Field Test and NeSA-W Practice Test | October 15, 2014 |
| Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-W Operational Test | December 1, 2014 |
| Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-RMS Operational Test | January 30, 2015 |

Additional information on NeSA testing is available at the Statewide Assessment Website:

<http://www.education.ne.gov/Assessment/Index.html>



NDE Student Unique Identifier – It's That Time Again to Update

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All students in Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 12 (Public, NonPublic and State Operated Systems) and Postsecondary students (Nebraska Community Colleges, State Colleges and University of Nebraska students) need to be updated each year with current school information. Step-by-Step instructions can be found on our website at the following web address: http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/docs/NSSRS_Steps_Uniqid_v7.pdf.

Prior to submitting the Student template for the first time for 2014-2015 school year, **ALL new and returning students** should have their Unique Identifier (State ID's) assigned/updated. On all returning students, any information that has changed (grade level, school building and school year) needs to be updated in the Student Unique Identifier Collection.



High Ability Learners (HAL) – NDE Portal Collection - Open July 25 - Due August 29

Contact: Mary Duffy (402-471-0737 or mary.duffy@nebraska.gov)

High Ability Learners (HAL) 14-15 Applications for Base Only and Base and Matching Funds AND 13-14 Budget and Year-End Reports; due no later than **11:59 PM, August 29** with an audit window close date of September 15. HAL is an online submission under the Data Collection tab in the NDE Portal. The collection will close at that time and only those reports entered will be considered for HAL



2014-2015 Staff Reporting - Open: August 4 - Due: September 15

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The 2014-2015 Staff Reporting collection opened Monday, August 4. State statute requires Public Districts and NonPublic Systems to submit a Fall Personnel Report by **September 15**. The NSSRS Staff Reporting data collection is located under the “Student & Staff (NSSRS)” tab in the portal. Special Purpose Schools (State Operated), Education Service Units and Interim Programs (Rule 18) should report during this timeframe as well. Options for submission are online entry and upload.



State of the Schools Report (SOSR) Calendar for 2014

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The following provides the dates when data and decisions will be available for review in the 2014 SOSR Preview prior to public release. Once the Report Card is released to the public, the data will not be changed so it is important for Districts to review their data. The 2014 SOSR Preview will be available through the NDE Portal.

| Date | Activity | Public/District |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| Aug. 25, 2014 | 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview opens with the following data: Data from End-of-Year NSSRS Reports Preliminary AYP results for the 30 day review NeSA Reading, Math and Science and Grade 4 Writing results (disaggregated) NePAS without graduation data or ranking | District only |
| Sept., 24, 2014 | Last day AYP Appeals will be accepted | District Only |
| Oct. 8, 2014 | PLAS review begins on 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview | District Only |
| Oct. 24, 2014 | SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card released to the public | Public |
| Oct. 29, 2014 | PLAS list added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card | Public |
| Nov. 14, 2014 | NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data added to the 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview | District Only |
| Nov. 21, 2014 | NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card | Public |

Information in red added August 21, 2014

HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

All three ways get to the same place, so please only use one of the following options.

If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

OR

2. Email: nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov

OR

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556

Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

ALSO: If you have contacted your area's NDE Trainer or Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

THANK YOU!

NDE Bulletin now available in RSS Feed

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We have added an RSS feed that users can subscribe to. Don't forget that the current and past NDE Bulletins can always be found at <http://www.education.ne.gov/ndebulletins/index.html>. The RSS feature can be found at the above webpage in the upper right hand corner (orange icon). RSS feeds can be used with Outlook and a number of web-based feed readers. At this time we will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.

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